

# **Request for City Council Committee Action** From the Department of Public Works

June 19, 2012 Date:

To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Referral to: Honorable Betsy Hodges, Chair Ways & Means Committee

**Cooperative Agreement for Pathway and Street Lighting Installations** Subject:

Adjacent to the Midtown Greenway

#### Recommendation:

a. Authorize the proper City officials to execute an agreement with Hennepin County for the installation of pathway lights along the Midtown Greenway from Hennepin Avenue to James Ave. S. upon satisfactory review by the City Attorney's Office.

b. Increase the appropriation for the PW-Transportation Capital Agency in the Permanent Improvement Fund (04100-9010943 CTR1222SG108) by \$34,000 to be 100% reimbursed by Hennepin County (\$14,000) and East Isles NRP (\$20,000) Funds.

Previous Directives: None

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Approved by:

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Presenters: Bill Prince, Ramps & Streetlighting Engineer

Reviews

Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Not Applicable Not Applicable Civil Rights Affirmative Action Plan: Policy Review Group (PRG): Not Applicable

# **Financial Impact**

Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget. Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase.

Other financial impact – Request provided to department's Finance Dept. contact

when provided to the Committee Coordinator.

### **Community Impact:**

Neighborhood Notification: East Isles NRP has approved \$20,000 contribution towards

installation of additional lighting on Midtown Greenway City Goals: To ensure a healthy, vital and safe city.

Comprehensive Plan: Not Applicable

Zoning Code: Not Applicable

## **Background/Supporting Information:**

The East Isles Neighborhood Organization and representatives of the bicycling community have expressed concern about the lack of lighting along the Midtown Greenway west of Hennepin Avenue, especially around the intersections of Humboldt, Irving and James Avenues South. This particular section of the Greenway has a reduced frequency of lighting compared to the rest of the Greenway.

As part of Hennepin County's role in administering and maintaining the Midtown Greenway, the County is willing to enter into an agreement contributing \$14,000 from its Midtown Community Works Capital Budget towards installation of pathway lights in the area of concern. The East Isles Neighborhood Organization has agreed to contribute \$20,000 in NRP funds towards installation of lighting in the area. This project will consist of the installation of seven additional light poles which include lights to be placed at three grade crossings. The City will accomplish the installation with its own forces and anticipates that because these lights will be connected to the existing circuitry and underground conduits that the cost will be reduced from typical lighting installations. It is anticipated that the Hennepin County and East Isles funds will be sufficient to accomplish the project. However, any overruns on the project will need to be covered by the City of Minneapolis.

After these lights are installed, the City will own, operate and maintain these lights similar to the existing trail and its related infrastructure systems.

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